

LUMPKIN COUNTY WATER AND SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

BOARD MEETING

April 21, 2015

Lumpkin County Administration Building Conference Room

Members in attendance: Murl Jones, Charles Trammell, John Gaston, Rhett Stringer, Gary McCullough, C. L. Grizzle

Others in attendance: Sean Phipps, Dee Harris, Joy Edelberg, Gerald Lewy, Chris Poje

Call to order: Chairman Murl Jones call the meeting to order at 2:04 pm

Approval of Agenda: Gary McCullough. Second: C. L. Grizzle. Motion carried unanimously.

April 21, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes: John Gaston. Second: Gary McCullough. Motion carried unanimously.

Financials: Director Sean Phipps presented financial reports for February & March. Motion to accept February and March financial reports: Charles Trammell. Second: John Gaston. Motion carried unanimously.

Rock Pointe – Chairman Jones remarked that one city councilman had questions about the city's ability to serve the expansion. He noted that it would require the city to make a large investment in infrastructure to be able to service the area. Charles Trammell noted the system was established when the area was in Lumpkin County's service area. Why is the entire project not Lumpkin County's. Sean explained that the Water Authority by approaching the city for a letter of approval for us to service the new construction is in compliance with the DCA Cooperative program. Gary McCullough thought the Water Authority probably didn't have to approach the city for approval. John Gaston asked what the timeline was for receiving and answer from the city. Mayor McCullough said end of next month.

Executive Directors report attached.

Motion to adjourn to executive session: Gary McCullough. Second: Charles Trammell. Motion carried. Members entered executive session at 2:25pm to discuss real estate. Motion to adjourn executive session and return to regular session: Gary McCullough. Second: John Gaston. Members returned to regular session at 3:00pm. No action was taken.

Motion to adjourn: Charles Trammell. Second: John Gaston. Meeting adjourned at 3:03 pm.

Attached Directors Report: February 24, 2015

Repair and Maintenance:

- Stonehenge Water System – LCWSA is running a series of 24 pumping test on the wells in the Stonehenge Water System. Based on the test results, improvements are being made to bring this water system up to EPD standards for meeting peak demands.
- Rock Point Water System – A failed bladder tank was replaced at the Rock Pointe well house
#2. A fallen tree was removed from the roof of well house #1 and the electrical panel repaired. Damage was due to the ice storm.
- 400 Water System – A 1400 l.f. waterline extension was installed on Chesterra Drive to service a new customer.
- Wellington Water System – Townley construction repaired a leak on a 4" water main afterhours.
- Camelot Water System – LCWSA repaired a leak on a 2" water main that was not allowing the system to build and maintain adequate pressure.

Capital Improvement Projects Update:

- Camelot Water Line Extension – The construction drawings and specifications have been submitted to the Georgia EPD for review and approval. Upon approval by the EPD, the next steps will involve obtaining the necessary land disturbance and DOT permits and the completion of the Bid Process.
- 400 Water System Elevated Storage Tank – The Preliminary Tank Site Evaluation Report is being presented at the April LCWSA Board Meeting for review.

- 400 Water System Looping Project – LCWSA is working with Turnipseed Engineering to finalize the GEFA Loan for Phase 1 of this looping project. Conceptual plans and hydraulic modeling still need to be prepared.

Budgetary Items:

- **Mauldin and Jenkins** have completed their field work for the 2014 Audit process and are in the process of finalizing the 2014 Financial Statement.

Training:

- **Energy Audit Workshop** – LCWSA will be sending three staff members to Water System Energy Audit Workshop being presented by the UNC Environmental Finance Center. The workshop will be held *over* three separate days in April, May and June. The focus of the workshop is to focus on how LCWSA can potentially lower the cost of electricity consumption. Now that LCWSA is reducing the cost of purchasing water, electricity purchases will become the largest single contributor to water production cost.

Chairman